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In March 1954 several highly placed employees of the Soviet Trade Delegation in East Germany were recalled to Russia. Among them were (Mrs.) Volkova (fnu) and (Mrs.) Balashova (fnu). Volkova was the director of the Zentral-Universum in the Brandenburgerstrasse, East Berlin, and Balashova was an inspector in the trade department. These two employees were replaced by the wives of high-ranking officers. In addition to Volkova and Balashova, several other unidentified Russians were recalled to the USSR.

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